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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 2, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

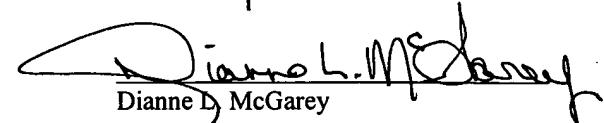
In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 11 with the following rewritten paragraph:

Machine 10 includes a cutting table 12 having a back edge 14 and having a table recess 16 formed in its upper surface. Table slot 18 is contained within the table recess 16 and receives a book holder 20. Book holder 20 includes a holder frame 22 which supports a book holder plate 24 on the end of a rod extending from pneumatic cylinder 26. A book 28 is shown being held by

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